



## **Texas**

### **Webb Air Force Base**

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#### ***Facility and Location***

Webb Air Force Base (AFB) was originally known as Big Spring Army Airfield (AAF). Big Spring AAF was used from 1942 to 1946 by the Army Air Corps as a bombardier and small arms training facility. The targets for bombardier training were not located on the FUDS property. The base was reactivated in 1951 for pilot training, and was returned to the City of Big Spring in 1978. The site included several individual small arms ranges, including skeet, pistol, and machine gun ranges, as well as a demonstration bombing target. Prior to the establishment of Webb AFB, the predominant land use was a municipal airport and for agricultural purposes. The majority of Webb AFB was returned to the city of Big Spring and is now a municipal airport, the Big Spring McMahon Wrinkle Airport. Other portions are now residential neighborhoods, commercial areas, hospital and medical facilities, two prisons, Big Spring Vietnam Memorial Park and Big Spring State Park.

#### ***Media Sampled and Findings***

**Groundwater** — In 2010, one of three samples detected perchlorate at 0.74 ppb.

#### ***Appropriate Actions***

All areas of this site were recommended for No Action Indicated except for one portion of one Munitions Response Site (MRS). Skeet range No. 1, a sub-range of Range Complex No.1 was recommended for a Remedial Investigation. However, this was based on concentrations of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons in the soil because all perchlorate samples were below the EPA and DoD Preliminary Remediation Goal of 15 ppb.